Course Request Period

December 7-13

The course request period runs from December 7 to 13. During this period, you may log in to the registration site to access your account (current members), create an account (new members), and purchase your membership.

Current and new members who purchase a Regular Membership ($135) may then request and prioritize up to 8 courses and an unlimited number of one-time lectures and activities including Town and Gown Noon Lecture Series. You will receive an acknowledgement email for each course/activity you request. This email only acknowledges your requests – it does not mean you are registered for the course/activity. After the course request period ends, you will receive a confirmation email listing the courses in which you are registered for spring 2019.

Associate members ($50) may request only the Town and Gown Noon Lecture Series.
Registration continues throughout the semester, but some courses will be filled by the end of the course request period.

Thank You for Your Patience

We apologize for the delay in the mailing of the spring 2019 catalogs. We hope you now have received yours. Now that we are fully integrated into the college, we are required to contract with approved vendors for outsourced jobs like the printing of the catalog. There was a delay of several days in the delivery of the catalog from the new printing vendor to the post office. Your patience is appreciated as we navigate relationships with new vendors.

Spring 2019 Catalog Changes

Please note the following changes to the Spring 2019 Course catalog:

All Creatures Great and Small - Cancelled
Emerging Resistance: Origins of the Virginia Community College System - room changed to 100M
Lincoln and the Constitution - Cancelled
The Road to Broadway - last session is 4/24/19 NOT 4/10/19

Osher Institute at W&M's New Email Address

We have a new email address, Osher@wm.edu, to reflect our name change to Osher Lifelong Learning Institute at William & Mary. While our old email address will be used during a transitionary phase, we ask that you update your electronic contact list(s) accordingly and begin to use the new email address.

Announcing the Kernodle
Christopher Wren Scholarship

Due to funding from the Osher grant, we are pleased to announce the availability of the Kernodle Christopher Wren scholarship, to be awarded to individuals who are 50 or older and have an annual combined household adjusted income of $50,000 or less. The scholarship covers the cost of a Regular Membership, registration for up to eight courses, and the associated parking permit fee for the upcoming spring 2019 semester of Osher at W&M courses. Some 50 such scholarships are available.

We encourage those interested to apply by December 5th so that awardees may participate in the course request period beginning December 7th; however, the scholarships will be available until all funds are awarded. Instructions on how to register will be provided to the awardees.

Those who meet the qualifications above should request an application form by contacting the Osher Institute at W&M office at (757) 221-1506 or Osher@wm.edu.

Town and Gown Noon Lecture Series News

Things You Need to Know about this Popular Lunch-Time Lecture Series!

- Funding from the initial Osher grant allowed the series to increase from 6 to 10 lectures.
- You must register for this activity (registration admits you to all 10 sessions.)
- Regular and Associate Members are eligible to register.
- Wear your current semester name tag for entry.
- Bring your lunch (bottled water and soda provided.)
- Enjoy mingling with members prior to the program.
World's Greatest Volunteers

The Osher Institute at W&M could not operate without its volunteers. Our talented instructors, dedicated Board, and enthusiastic committee members generously volunteer their time and skills to our vibrant institute, and we are thankful to all. But did you know that many of your fellow members volunteer to support the smooth operation of Osher at W&M in a number of other ways? Read on to see how, and to our wonderful teams of volunteers, we thank you very kindly for jobs well done!
Thank you Class Assistants for your help with equipment and technology.

We are grateful for your time and effort!
Thank you to our Help Desk Volunteers who kindly assisted members learn to register for courses online.

Toy Carpenter
Lisa Craft
Catherine Flanagan
Stew Nickerson
George Richmond
Mary Swartz
Many Thanks Mail-in Registration Team!

We couldn’t do it without you!

Cathy Sanderson
Vern Stocker
Mary Swartz

Thank you Instructor Audiovisual Testing Team!

The assistance you provided to our instructors helps maintain the excellent quality of instruction at the Osher Institute at W&M! Your expertise is appreciated!

Toy Carpenter
Art Grant
Ron Johnson
Ed McMahon
Karen McPherson
George Richmond
NEW Inclement Weather Policy

The Osher Institute at W&M will cancel courses/activities/events/training for weather if “W&M University Events and Activities” are cancelled. A notice will be on the Osher Institute office voice mail (757-221-1506).

Please note, you will not be personally contacted.

Office Closing for Winter Break

The Osher Institute at W&M will be closed beginning on December 21, 2018, and will re-open on January 2, 2019. We wish you a happy holiday season.

Farewell Kiandra

The Osher Team is sad to announce the departure of a valued team member, Kiandra Whack, whose last day with us was November 30. Kiandra kindly assisted the members of the Osher Institute at W&M since January 2016. Many of you may have interacted with her as she set up classrooms, recruited hosts and class assistants, or coordinated the Instructor Appreciation Reception each term. She will be greatly missed by her colleagues for her patience, technical savvy, and sense of humor. We send her our best wishes for the new chapter in her career.

Come express your gratitude to our wonderful volunteer instructors at the Instructor
Appreciation Reception on December 10th at 1:30 pm in Legacy Hall.